A Particular RELATION
OF THE
Sickneſs and Death of his late Majeſty
K. William the Third,
(Of ever Bleſſed Memory)
Who Departed this Life on *Sunday* the 8*th* of *March*, 170$\frac{1}{2}$, in the 51*ſt*. Year of his Age, and the Thirteenth of his Reign.

London, March the 9*th*. 170$\frac{1}{2}$

HIS Majeſty as he was Hunting on *Saturday* the 21*ſt*. of *February* laſt, near his Royal Palace of *Hampton Court*, having had the misfortune to fall off his Horſe, thereby broke his *Clavicula*, or *Collar-Bone*, which, tho' it was ſoon Set by Serjeant *Major*, yet a Phyſician coming and in preſuming that it might not be Broke, would needs open the Bandage, which occaſion'd the Bone to ſnap again, however it was ſoon Set again, and his Majeſty was like to do well. But on *Sunday*, the 1*ſt*. inſtant, he had a defluxion which fell down on his Knee, notwithſtanding which he could walk about with a little ſupport, which he frequently did, Leaning upon one of his Noblemen's Shoulders. On *Wedneſday* laſt he was ſo well, that he took ſeveral Turns in the Gallery at *Kenſington*; but, at length, finding himſelf weary ſat down, and fell a ſleep, which, 'tis thought, occaſion'd a Shivering Fit, that came ſoon after upon him. Hereupon Sir *Tho. Millington*, Sir *Rich. Blackmore*, Dr. *Brown*, Dr. *Hutton*, Dr. *Lawrence*, and divers others of that Faculty, were immediately ſent for, who ſoon coming accordingly adminiſtred ſeveral Medicines to his Maleſty, whereby he found great Relief. His Majeſty's diſtemper was a ſort of Ague and Fever, attended with a Vomiting and Looſeneſs, neither of which were hitherto violent. His Majeſty having continu'd indifferently well for ſome time, on *Friday* laſt, he grew worſe, his Vomiting and Looſeneſs beginning to encreaſe violently upon him, inſomuch that he could not be prevail'd on, neither was he able to take any thing till about Two of the Clock on *Saturday* Morning, when he Supp'd a little Broth, which ſtaid with him. A little after a *Hypnotick*, or a gentle ſleeping Draught was adminiſtred to Compoſe him, which had that good effect, that he reſted well for three Hours after. On *Saturday* Morning, having Supp'd ſome more Broth, he found himſelf eaſier, and ſo continued all the Forenoon. In the Afternoon he was indifferently well, but in the Night he had ſeveral Fits; upon which finding himſelf to grow weaker and weaker he ſent for Dr. *Bidloo*, and having Thank'd him for the great Care he had taken of him, told him withall, *That he was Satisfied he had done All that the Art of Phyſick could afford for his Relief, but finding all Means ineffectual he ſubmitted.* In the Morning early he receiv'd the Sacrament from the hands of his Grace the Archbiſhop of *Canterbury*. In the Anti-Chamber the Lords of the Council, and abundance of the Nobility attended, ſeveral of which were call'd in, and after ſome ſhort ſtay withdrew. Juſt as his Majeſty was Expiring, he faintly enquired for the Earl of *Portland*, who coming immediately to him, tho' the King endeavour'd all he could to ſpeak, and his Lips were obſerv'd to move, yet had he not the power to make his mind known. Soon after, about Eight of the Clock yeſterday morning, his Majeſty expir'd, ſitting upon his Bed in his Night-Gown, in the Arms of Mr. *Sewell*, one of the Pages of the Back-ſtairs. He had been kept alive, for five or ſix hours meerly by the help of Sir *Walter Raleigh*'s Cordial, and was Senſible to the laſt.

About Ten of the Clock the ſame Morning, the Seals were ſent for to St. *James*'s, and a Room was fitted up there for the Council to Sit in.

Yeſterday about three or four a-Clock in the Afternoon Her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs *ANNE* of *Denmark* was proclaim'd at St. *James*'s, QUEEN of *England*, *Scotland*, *France* and *Ireland*, by the Heralds at Arms, in due Form, from whence they proceeded to *Charing-Croſs*, where the Proclamation was likewiſe Read, the Horſe Guard attending; At *Temple Bar*, the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen receiv'd them, where Her Royal Highneſs was alſo Proclaim'd; as She was likewiſe at the *Royal Exchange*.

His Grace the Duke of *Devonſhire*, the moſt Noble the Marquiſs of *Normandy*, the Right Honourable the Earl of *Radnor*, with abundance of the Nobility, attended the Cavalcade in their Coaches; and at ſix in the Evening the Guns were fired round the *Tower*, and the Solemnity was concluded at Night with Bonfires, *&c.*

Immediately upon the Death of the King, Meſſengers were diſpatch'd to *Scotland* and *Ireland*, to Proclaim Her moſt Gracious Majeſty there.

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